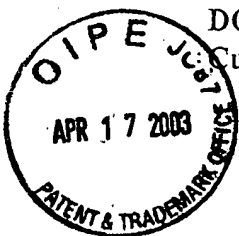


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In response to the Final Office Action having a mailing date of December 11, 2002, please amend the application as follows.